

## CARRANZA AND VILLA TROOPS START ATTACK

Forces of Gen. Rodriguez Encounter Carranza Soldiers Who Are Guarding Nacozari Railroad and Battle Has Begun.

### REINFORCEMENTS FROM AGUA PRIETA

Border Town Is Almost Stripped of Guns and Soldiers to Send Help to Carranza Forces in South—More Villa Outrages.

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] DOMINGUEZ, ARIZ., Dec. 4.—Advices received tonight from Agua Prieta, Sonora, opposite here, stated that fighting had started between the Carranza forces guarding the Nacozari railroad and the Villa troops of General Jose Rodriguez, who are trying to break through the Carranza lines between Fronteras and Esquedra, Agua Prieta almost was stripped of guns and soldiers to send reinforcements to the Carranza forces.

General E. Elias Calles, second in command of the Carranza forces, who arrived in Agua Prieta late today, early tonight hastily gathered all available soldiers of the garrison and left for the scene of the fighting. He was said to have taken nearly every machine gun in town with him.

A short time later reports received here said a special train loaded with artillery left Agua Prieta for Fronteras.

The few soldiers remaining in the Mexican town were stationed near the international boundary line to strengthen the Mexican guard here. Neither the Mexican nor the United States authorities would allow persons to cross the international line, in an effort, it was said, to conceal the movement of Carranza troops.

Arrives here tonight from the state of Chihuahua stated that Villa forces had confiscated all livestock of the Mormon colonists in the Casas Grandes valley and that they had threatened to destroy all property if driven from that section by Carranza soldiers.

The colonists, it was said, were compelled to haul lumber and perform other labor for the Villa soldiers. They were given for their work green hides from their own cattle, which had been seized.

At various towns in the district, the arriving soldiers, Villa authorities had commandeered stocks of grain and merchandise valued at hundreds of thousands of dollars, threatening with death those who opposed their wholesale confiscations.

General H. M. Diezuez, the Carranza commander who has been operating in the vicinity of Hermosillo, capital of Sonora, was said here to be due in Agua Prieta tonight or tomorrow, possibly for a conference with General Alvaro Obregon.

**Santa Rosalia Occupied**  
EL PASO, TEXAS, Dec. 4.—The occupation of Santa Rosalia by the Carranza troops of General Herrera, and their advance upon Orizaba, 50 miles below Chihuahua, the capital, was reported here today by arrivals who entered Thursday. The occupation of Santa Rosalia was accomplished without a battle.

The retreat of General Villa and a number of his forces from Sonora, where he has been harassed by Carranza forces, has been accomplished, according to advices from Casas Grandes, where Villa is soon expected to arrive.

**Quiet On Border**  
EL PASO, TEXAS, Dec. 4.—Major General Frederick Funston, en route from the Arizona border to headquarters at San Antonio here tonight declared that there was little likelihood of further trouble along the Arizona border in the near future.

"With the departure of Villa soldiers everything is calm and there is no reason to apprehend anything similar to the recent disorders in the Brownsville district," he said.

"Villa has moved south rapidly and outdistanced the Carranza forces. I talked with General Obregon about the situation in Sonora and it was his opinion Villa would travel south into Sinaloa instead of returning to his old stamping grounds in Chihuahua."

**Half Of England Making Munitions For Her Soldiers**

OTTAWA, Dec. 4.—Half the population of England is engaged in producing war munitions to aid the 2,000,000 men in the fighting lines in a war which is costing Great Britain \$100,000,000 an hour, the Hon. R. H. Brand, financial agent of David Lloyd George, minister of munitions, told business men at a luncheon here today.

Those present included the Duke of Connaught, Sir Robert Borden and Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

"The war," continued Mr. Brand, "will be a long one and no one can tell how much more England, Canada and other parts of the empire may have to do before it is successfully ended, but of all the things to be done to win, financial operations are the most important."

The speaker added, and he urged Canadians to practice the most rigid economy in order to provide the greatest possible aid to Great Britain. He expressed appreciation of Canada's decision to make financial advances to England and promised that all such loans would be repaid soon after the close of the conflict.

## BAGDAD OUT OF REACH OF THE BRITISH UNLESS REINFORCEMENTS SENT

Without Assistance Townshend's Troops Have Little Prospect of Taking City, Recently Seemingly Within Their Grasp.

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] LONDON, Dec. 4.—The British, German and Turkish accounts of the recent fighting in Mesopotamia, while containing minor disparities respecting the casualties and character of the British retreat on the Tigris, clearly establish the fact that without further reinforcements, to equal the overpowering odds against them, they have been struggling. The British troops under General Townshend have little prospect of continuing the march to Bagdad, which city appeared a few weeks ago to be almost within their grasp.

Having advanced during October and November through the desert of Iraq to the very environs of Bagdad, the British force is now retreating upon Kut-el-Amara, eighty miles southeast of Ctesiphon, the scene of the battle fought in the latter part of November in which the British troops met their first serious check.

The position, therefore of General Townshend's force is much the same as in September after the battle of Kut-el-Amara. According to a recent account from a Turkish source, the British force is now reduced to 10,000 men, while the Turkish forces, supplementing the forces which already outnumbered the British force four to one were flung against the British troops, retiring down the Tigris, and made a British stand out of the question.

There have been no military events since the British retreat.

of importance on the Balkans since the fall of Monastir, which was discomfited. Recent reports make Rumania loom unusually large on the Balkan horizon, and that country is generally accredited with the intention either of joining the allies or at least stretching her neutrality to the point of allowing the passage of Russian troops. There has been, however, no confirmation of the report that Russian troops have already entered Rumanian territory.

Rumania's declaration that she would remain neutral in the present conflict, and that she would not allow her territory to be used as a base for the operations of the allies, is a favorable indication that she is established beyond the possibility of a doubt.

And, from the continuance of desperate fighting between Austrians and Italians in Gorizia district, there is comparatively little activity on the various fronts.

**RECEIVERSHIP IS UPHOLD**  
[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 4.—The United States district court of appeals upheld today the order of District Judge Maurice Dooling in the appointment of a receiver for the El Dorado Oil company in the suit by the United States against the company to oust it from the property at Maricopa flat.

The suit was one of a number instituted during the last few years by the government to oust oil operators under the authority of President Taft's withdrawal order of 1908.

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### DAVID STARR JORDAN AT Y. M. C. A. TODAY

Dr. David Starr Jordan, having arrived in the city earlier than was expected for his lecture here tomorrow night, an arrangement was made last night for a lecture by him in the Y. M. C. A. lobby at 4 o'clock this afternoon. His subject will be "The Peace Worker in History." There was no time to send out invitations to the lecture but all are cordially invited to be present.

### INSTITUTE TO HAVE \$1,000,000 BUILDING

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—A new million dollar building is to be added to the Smithsonian institute here to contain the collection of paintings, engravings, porcelains and bronzes given to the institution from time to time by Charles L. Freer of Detroit. Mr. Freer has given one million dollars to the institute for the new building, plans for which now are being drawn. It will be located on the Smithsonian grounds in the mall, which extends from the capital to the White House and which contains the Washington monument, the botanical gardens, the National Museum and other structures of national importance. Secretary Walcott of the Smithsonian announced today that it was expected work on the building could be started during the coming spring.

The Freer collection represents periods of art beginning before the Christian era.

### NARCOTICS BARRED FROM THE MAILS

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 4.—Medicines containing habit forming narcotics drugs, traffic in which is forbidden by the Harrison law, cannot be sold through a mail order business, Judge J. E. Sater declared in federal district court here today. He dismissed a suit brought by the Dr. Nathan Tucker Asthma Specific Company of Mount Gilead, Ohio, to enjoin the United States federal internal revenue collector from seizing the plant.

The court's decision declared that medicines containing narcotics drugs may be prescribed by a physician only after a personal examination of the patient before each prescription. Diagnosis by mail is held illegal.

The decision is considered of far reaching importance, since it is said many other proprietary remedies contain narcotic drugs or their derivatives and are sold by the mail order system.

### EXPLOSION CLAIMS ARE ADJUSTED

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] ARIZONA, Dec. 4.—The limit for filing claims for arbitration of damages growing out of the explosion here September 27, it was learned at approximately 1800 claims, totalling more than \$750,000 have been adjusted out of court by the local arbitration committee.

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## "FAREWELL" IN FIRE MARKS CLOSING OF BIG EXPOSITION

### SIMPLICITY WILL MARK WEDDING OF PRESIDENT

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Extreme simplicity will be observed at the wedding of President Wilson and Mrs. Norman Galt, which the White House announced today will be solemnized December 12, two weeks from today, at the home of Mrs. Galt here. The arrangements virtually have been completed.

The president will have no best man at the wedding, and Mrs. Galt will not formally select a maid of honor, although one of her sisters, probably Miss Bertha Bolling of this city will escort her during the ceremony.

The announcement at the White House that only members of the two families and the president's immediate household would attend the wedding, and that no formal invitations would be issued, surprised official Washington. It had been expected that at least a few of the president's friends would be invited.

The Rev. Herbert Scott Smith, rector of St. Margaret's Protestant Episcopal church here, which Mrs. Galt has attended in recent months, has been tentatively selected as the officiating clergyman, although it is possible that the Rev. Sylvester Beach, pastor of the president's church in Princeton may assist. The president is a Presbyterian. The president and Mrs. Galt spent practically the entire day together today discussing final arrangements for the wedding. They played golf together this morning and went for an automobile ride this afternoon.

The wedding ceremony will be held in the drawing room of Mrs. Galt's home where a temporary altar will be erected. The ceremony will be an evening affair. There will be no large reception afterward, but official Washington will have an opportunity to extend personal congratulations at the Pan-American reception, the first of the formal social affairs of the White House season, which will be held January 1.

Plans for the honeymoon trip are being kept secret, but it is known they plan to leave Washington shortly after the ceremony. The Mayflower, the president's yacht, is being kept here and it has been reported that it is a part of the trip may be made on water.

In spite of intimations that the president and Mrs. Galt did not expect many wedding presents a number of officials and close friends are planning to send them gifts.

### CLOTURE FIGHT IS ABANDONED IN THE SENATE

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—The fight to commit senate demands to a cloture rule, which began immediately after the ship purchase bill was filibustered to death in the senate at the last session, practically was abandoned by its champions at today's meeting of the senate.

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### Panama - Pacific International Exposition Passes Into History with Record Breaking Crowd on the Grounds.

### NIGHT PROGRAM MOST ELABORATE

With Lights Extinguished, Aviator Traces "Farewell" Upon Sky, While Bugler Sounds "Taps" From Tower of Jewels

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 4.—The Panama-Pacific International exposition passed into history tonight at midnight.

On the stroke of the hour President Charles C. Moore pressed a button which simultaneously extinguished all the lights on the grounds and simultaneously gave the signal for the lowering of all flags. Then Art Smith, the exposition aviator, traced "farewell" in words of fire on the sky and the ten months' sway of the exposition came to an end.

In point of attendance, closing day broke all records. Although the exact figures will not be available until tomorrow, a midnight incomplete returns gave a total of 418,191 admissions—122,688 more than was recorded on San Francisco day, November 2, the previous high mark.

From dawn, when a palette of 21 guns from the Presidio marked the beginning of the end, until evening, when the towers and mounds of the exposition began to gleam for the last time, steady streams of humanity passed through the turnstiles. At 6 o'clock, tonight 248,676 visitors were recorded, 2,400 more than had been admitted at the same time on San Francisco day, November 2, when the record of 248,272 was being set.

The fact that the night program was the most elaborate of the exposition period led officials to believe that before dawn had been blown at midnight by a bugler on the Tower of Jewels, that all previous attendance records would be broken.

Among the closing ceremonies during the day was the lowering of the great flag which has flown since the opening of the exposition from the top of the tower, the world's largest flag, which was hoisted at the opening of the exposition, and which was lowered at midnight.

At 6 o'clock, tonight the ten main exhibit palaces of the Panama-Pacific exposition closed their doors for the last time, so far as the public was concerned, six hours in advance of the formal closing exercises at midnight, which marked the termination of the exposition period.

The formal ceremonies retiring the present helms from service were held during the afternoon on platforms erected at the various portals. President C. C. Moore, accompanied by Captain A. C. Baker, director of exhibits, and others of the exposition management, officiated.

Immediately following these outdoor exercises, "town criers" ten in number, invaded the exhibit palaces and informed the throngs that "at 8 o'clock this building must be vacated for all time."

During the night President Moore made the following announcement to the world:

"The end of six years' earnest endeavor has come. California has fulfilled the trust imposed upon it by the national government to hold an universal exposition to celebrate the completion of our own century of the American ideal, the world's greatest engineering achievement."

"While the exposition could not have proved without the earnest and enthusiastic co-operation of so many of our sister states that have recognized universal exposition to celebrate the American people and without the foreign countries that realize the world's purpose; yet the burden has been upon California to carry on the work, and most nobly has the entire state responded to the responsibility."

"While undoubted and invaluable benefits from this gathering of the peoples of the world with its rich tuition, artistic, educational, and social features, will result alike to our visitors and our own people, I hope we will be allowed a pardonable pride in the thought the local interest has always been subordinated to our responsibility as representatives of the government and the people of the United States to hold a great international celebration with world purpose for the betterment of humanity."

(Signed) "C. C. MOORE."

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### Deputies Vote Confidence In Italian Government

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] ROME, Dec. 4. (Via London, Dec. 5).—The chamber of deputies today voted confidence in the government by an overwhelming majority. The vote was taken after a debate on the recent statement of policy by Baron Sonnino, Italian minister of foreign affairs, and a speech by Premier Salandra, who said that the government was fully aware of the gravity of the international situation, but that its confidence

in final victory was in no wise shaken. The premier during his speech said that the government was fully convinced of the government of the necessity and justice of the war without which the interests, the dignity and the honor of Italy would have been irretrievably impaired. This conviction, he asserted, was shared by all classes of people who he was glad to note from personal experience, were ready to make sacrifices to carry on the war.

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## MERCHANT MARINE BILL CHANCES SEEM BRIGHTER

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire] WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Prospects for the administration merchant marine bill at the coming session of congress were enhanced tonight when it became known that Senator James P. Clarke of Arkansas, who led the democratic revolt against the ship purchase bill in the last session, looked with favor upon the new ship bill proposed by government leaders.

The last report received at the San Francisco merchants exchange from the Minnesota came on December 2. At that time the vessel was 700 miles south of San Francisco. Since then, the ship and a salvage steamer have been sent to her assistance.

Marine men here declared tonight that they base their belief that the Minnesota is gravely injured upon the slow progress the steamer is making to this port.

C. W. Wiley, port captain of the steamship company in Seattle, who is in San Francisco, said tonight: "While I have had many messages from Captain Garlick of the Minnesota within the last ten days, none has mentioned the nature of her trouble. Perhaps he may have had reasons for silence in this regard. The vessel is making about four knots an hour under her own power."

**Machinery Partly Disabled**  
MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 4.—In the absence of Louis W. Hill, who is confined to his home by a slight illness, Great Northern railroad officials refused to be quoted as to the reported damage to the ship Minnesota, now returning to San Francisco.

It was admitted, however, that the local offices had kept in close touch with developments on board the vessel and it was intimated by railroad officials that the boat's machinery had been partly disabled. It is alleged, by three men taken on board shortly before the Minnesota sailed.

noted for president pro-tempore by the majority caucus after spirited fight against him based on his opposition to the ship purchase bill, let it be known that he would not oppose the new merchant marine measure drafted after conferences between Secretaries McAdoo and Redfield. The Arkansas senator, during the debate in the democratic caucus Friday was asked by several administration senators for his opinion on all the new bill. He frankly stated that he saw no objection to it and could give it his support. His opposition to the bill last spring, he said, was because of its government ownership feature. The bill now proposed by Secretaries McAdoo and Redfield contemplates a naval auxiliary merchant marine which he could favor, and provides for government ownership of stock only in case private capital is lacking, thus eliminating the dominant government corporation feature of the old bill.

Senator Clarke's attitude was a matter of optimistic comment among administration senators tonight who said it had been influential in reconstructing a harmonious senate and preventing a struggle over cloture at the opening of congress next Monday.

